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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I hear USTelecom has petitioned you, the FCC, to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. Part of this petition states that "there is effectively no remaining unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs)-based competition in that marketplace."

I live in Mountain View and I am writing to tell you that Sonic is one of those providers. I use Sonic. So, they do, in fact, exist.

I would also like to say I support any improvement to Broadband competition, because we are currently lacking any reasonable amount of choices in internet service providers. It's obvious USTelecom and mainstream ISPs are acting in a monopolistic manner to limit competition and manipulate prices rather than improve services and decrease prices. It's currently unacceptable as it is. Don't let USTelecom make it worse.

Please take this message and the many thousands of others from the people of the United States as a signal to reclaim yourselves as a regulatory body to protect internet consumers, and not ISP companies. If you need anymore convincing that we need more competition, take a look at the maps of ISP's competitive landscape. It's sickening.

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